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### Inspection Report

#### Minerals Regulatory Program

Date Submitted: **04/02/2015**

Reviewed 

Mine Name: Golden Dragon Mine	Permit Number: S/47/0113	Permit Fees: Delinquent		
Operator Name: N&J Associates	Inspection Date: 04/01/2015	Bond Amount: \$19,800.00		
Inspector(s): A. Abate	Time: 9:00 AM	Bond Escalation: 6/24/2016		
Others:	Mine Status: Inactive			
Elements of Inspection		Evaluated	Comment	Enforcement
1. Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Public Safety (shafts, adits, trash, signs, highwalls)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Protection of Drainages/Erosion Control		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Deleterious Material		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Roads (maintenance, surfacing, dust control, safety)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Reclamation		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Backfilling/Grading (trenches, pits, roads, highwalls, shafts)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Soils		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Revegetation		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

#### Purpose of Inspection

Routine inspection to determine whether or not mine was still active.

#### Inspection Summary

The mine was not active during the site visit. Test pit excavations and small piles of gravel were noted near the river bank. Two drivable paths were noted backed up to the edge of the river. Gravel excavations from the banks of the channel were observed. According to the mine plan, a wash plan with a concentrator were to be used for onsite processing. No evidence of processing equipment was noted during the inspection. The access road into the permit area had a steep grade that crosses a wash. The plan states that the operator would grade this area and level it out. The area did not appear to be leveled out based on the conditions of the road observed during the inspection.

#### Conclusions and Recommendations

Continue to monitor the site while in the area. The operator should continue to pay annual permit fees and submit annual report forms if mining is to continue. If mining is to cease, please reclaim the site in accordance with the rules set forth in Utah Admin. Code R647-3, then apply for bond release.

Inspector's Signature: 

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Small excavation trench was noted with an estimated depth of 3-4 feet.



Small test pit trenches were noted approximately 100 feet from the river bank.



Cross section view of the channel deposit located along the bank of the Green River.



A pathway was noted to the edge of the river, presumably where equipment was backed up to collect the gravel.





Casing was noted along the river.



General overview of the vicinity of the permit area.



The access road to the permit area had a steep washed out area in the background.